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LONDON PASS TO MICHAEL HOYT

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PORG EWWT SENV PLOS IMCO

SUBJECT: LONDON OCEAN DUMPING CONVENTION MEETING

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1. ICELANDIC DIRECTOR OF SHIPPING HJALMAR BARDARSON UNABLE TO ATTEND MEETING, BUT HAS INSTRUCTED ICELANDIC EMBASSY REP EIRIKUR BENEDIKZ TO CONTACT US DEL. BARDARSON VERY INTERESTED IN CO-OPERATING WITH US TO ENSURE SELECTION OF IMCO AS CONVENTION SECRETARIAT AND EMBASSY BELIEVES HE WILL BE USEFUL ALLY, ESPECIALLY WITH NORDIC GROUP. BENEDIKZ INEXPERIENCED RE OCEAN

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DUMPING MEETING BUT HAS BEEN BRIEFED BY BARDARSON. BARDARSON

BELIEVES US AND ICELAND IN CONCERT ON MOST ISSUES, BUT SUGGESTS THAT HOYT AND BENEDIKZ PHONE HIM DURING MEETING TO CLARIFY ANY DETAILS, SHOULD THIS BE NECESSARY.

2. BARDARSON INFORMED TODAY THAT NORWEGIANS INTEND TO SUPPORT IMCO. PRO-UNEP FORCES STILL PREDOMINATE IN SWEDEN.

3. ON MEPC MATTER, BARDARSON SEES NO PROBLEM WITH US AND UNDERSTANDS RATIONALE OF REFTEL. GIVEN THE LIMITED RESOURCES OF SOME COUNTRIES, THE FACT THAT REPS TO MEPC MEETING MAY ALSO ATTEND SUBSEQUENT OCEAN DUMPING MEETING, AND THE DESIRE TO AVOID AN EXTRA TRIP IN JUNE, IT SEEMED USEFUL TO HIM TO BRING THE TWO MEETINGS CLOSER TOGETHER. MATTER IS COMPLETELY OPEN AS FAR AS BARDARSON IS CONCERNED AND HE WELCOMES DISCUSSION WITH US DEL AS SUGGESTED ABOVE.

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